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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

JOINT RESOLUTION BETWEEN THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUE RESULTING FROM THE ANNEXATION OF UNINCORPORATED TERRITORY KNOWN AS ELSMERE CANYON TO THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA (ANNEXATION 2011-03)

(FIFTH DISTRICT)

(3 VOTES)

## **SUBJECT**

Adoption of the Joint Resolution for the annexation of unincorporated territory to the City of Santa Clarita.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Adopt the Joint Resolution between your Board and the City Council of the City of Santa Clarita based on the negotiated exchange of property tax revenue, as a result of the proposed Annexation 2011-03 of approximately 807 acres of unincorporated territory known as Elsmere Canyon to the City of Santa Clarita.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

The City Council of the City of Santa Clarita has adopted the Joint Resolution based on the negotiated exchange of property tax revenue resulting from the proposed annexation of unincorporated territory to the City of Santa Clarita. The territory consists of approximately 807 acres generally located east of State Route 14, south of Whitney Canyon, west of the Angeles National Forest, and north of the City of Los Angeles boundary limits.

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In order for the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) for the County of Los Angeles to proceed with the required hearings on the proposed annexation, your Board, as the governing body of the County, must first adopt the Joint Resolution.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The adopted Joint Resolution will transfer annually One Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Eight Dollars (\$1,898) in base property tax revenue from the County General Fund to the City and will allocate a share — approximately 4.84 percent of the annual property tax increment in Tax Rate Area 00287, 4.71 percent in Tax Rate Area 01439, 4.42 percent in Tax Rate Area 01631, 5.85 percent in Tax Rate Area 01634, 4.46 percent in Tax Rate Area 06592, 4.69 percent in Tax Rate Area 06615, 5.83 percent in Tax Rate Area 06625, 5.85 percent in Tax Rate Area 06711, and 4.45 percent in Tax Rate Area 10680 — from the County to the City, as contained in the Joint Resolution. An adjustment will be made to the County budget in the fiscal year following the year in which the annexation is approved.

## FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to Part 3, Title 5 of the California Government Code, commencing with Section 56000, the City of Santa Clarita adopted a resolution and filed an application with LAFCO to initiate proceedings for annexation of the subject territory to the City.

Section 99 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code (R & T Code) requires that prior to the effective date of any jurisdictional change, the governing bodies of all agencies whose service area or service responsibilities will be altered by such change must address the fiscal impacts of the proposed annexation by negotiating a reallocation of property tax revenue between the affected agencies, and approve and accept such reallocation by resolution. The City Council of the City of Santa Clarita has adopted the negotiated Joint Resolution, as required by Section 99 of the R & T Code.

The proposed territory to be annexed to the City of Santa Clarita is currently within the County of Los Angeles Road Maintenance District No. 5 (RMD No. 5) and County Public Library system. Upon annexation of the territory to the City, the territory will be detached from County RMD No. 5, and withdrawn from the County Public Library.

Adoption of the Joint Resolution by your Board will allow LAFCO to schedule the required public hearings to consider testimony on the proposed annexation. LAFCO will subsequently take action to approve, approve with changes, or disapprove the proposal for the annexation.

The Joint Resolution has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

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# **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Upon the effective date of the annexation, the City will become responsible for providing municipal services to the area within its jurisdiction.

## **CONCLUSION**

At such time as the recommendation is approved by your Board, please return one copy of the letter and five signed originals of the resolutions to LAFCO, one approved copy of the letter and resolution to the Chief Executive Office, Office of Unincorporated Area Services, and one copy of the approved letter and a copy of the Joint Resolution to the Auditor-Controller, Tax Division.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA
Chief Executive Officer

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Attachments

c: Executive Office
County Counsel
Assessor
Auditor-Controller
Sheriff
Animal Care and Control
Fire
Public Library
Public Works
Regional Planning

JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUE RESULTING FROM THE ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY KNOWN AS ANNEXATION 2011-03 (ELSMERE CANYON) TO THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, DETACHMENT FROM COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 5, AND WITHDRAWAL FROM THE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM

**WHEREAS**, the City of Santa Clarita initiated proceedings with the Local Agency Formation Commission for Los Angeles County (LAFCO) for the annexation of territory identified as Annexation 2011-03 to the City of Santa Clarita; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 99 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code, for specified jurisdictional changes, the governing bodies of affected agencies shall negotiate and determine the amount of property tax revenue to be exchanged between the affected agencies; and

WHEREAS, the area proposed for annexation is identified as Annexation 2011-03 and consists of approximately 807 acres of unincorporated territory known as "Elsmere Canyon" located east of State Route 14, south of Whitney Canyon, west of the Angeles National Forest, and north of the City of Los Angeles boundary limits; and

**WHEREAS**, effective July 1, 2011, the City of Santa Clarita has withdrawn from the County Public Library system and therefore, all unincorporated territory annexed to the City of Santa Clarita after that date will also be withdrawn from the County Public Library system.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, as governing body of the County and the County of Los Angeles Road District No. 5 and the County Public Library, and the City Council of the City of Santa Clarita, have determined the amount of property tax revenue to be exchanged between their respective agencies as a result of the annexation of the unincorporated territory identified as Annexation 2011-03, detachment from County Road District No. 5 and withdrawal from the County Public Library system, is as set forth below:

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The negotiated exchange of property tax revenue between the County of Los Angeles and the City of Santa Clarita, resulting from Annexation 2011-03 is approved and accepted.
- 2. For fiscal years commencing on or after July 1, 2012, or the July 1 after the effective date of this jurisdictional change, whichever is later, property tax revenue received by County Road District No. 5, attributable to Annexation 2011-03, shall be transferred to the County of Los Angeles, and the County Road District No. 5 share in the annexation area shall be reduced to zero.
- 3. For fiscal years commencing on or after July 1, 2012, or the July 1 after the effective date of this jurisdictional change, whichever is later, property tax revenue received by the County Public Library, attributable to Annexation 2011-03, shall be transferred to the City-Santa Clarita Library Fund, and the County Public Library's share in the annexation area shall be reduced to zero.

- 4. For each fiscal year commencing on or after July 1, 2012, or the July 1 after the effective date of this jurisdictional change, whichever is later, One Thousand, Eight Hundred, and Ninety-Eight Dollars (\$1,898) in base property tax revenue shall be transferred from the County of Los Angeles to the City of Santa Clarita.
- 5. For fiscal years commencing on or after July 1, 2012, or the July 1 after the effective date of this jurisdictional change, whichever is later, the following ratios of annual property tax increment attributable to each respective Tax Rate Area in the Annexation 2011-03 territory shall be transferred from the County of Los Angeles to the City of Santa Clarita as shown below and the County's share shall be reduced accordingly:

Tax Rate Area	Annual Tax Increment Ratio Transfer to the City
00287	0.048398837
01439	0.047066537
01631	0.044164383
01634	0.058512993
06592	0.044586348
06615	0.046929826
06625	0.058297211
06711	0.058502531
10680	0.044490714

6. In the event that all or a portion of the annexation area is included within a redevelopment project pursuant to California Community Redevelopment Law, Health & Safety Code Sections 33000 et seq., the City of Santa Clarita shall not adopt the ordinance approving the redevelopment plan with respect to the annexed area until such time as the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Santa Clarita has diligently and in good faith complied with all applicable provisions of the California Community Redevelopment Law, including but not limited to, Health & Safety Code Section 33670 or any other relevant provision of the law. Any ordinance approving a redevelopment project which does not comply with this paragraph shall be void and of no effect with regard to the subsequent allocation and distribution of taxes to the Redevelopment Agency.

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PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this  $\underline{10th}$  day of  $\underline{January}$  ,  $20\underline{12}$  by the following vote:

AYES: Ferry, Kellar, McLean

ABSENT: None

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NOES:None

ABSTAIN:None

Mayor

City of Santa Clarita, California

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ATTEST:

City Clerk

City of Santa Clarita

(Signed in Counterpart)

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JOHN KRATTLI Acting County Counsel

Deputy

(Signed in Counterpart)